circumstances.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 40A(f) of Article 40 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "General Assembly," subtitle "Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

40A.

(f) At least thirty days prior to the adoption of any rule, regulation, or standard by any of the several departments, boards, commissions, or other agencies of the executive branch, the rule, regulation or standard shall be submitted to the committee AND THE RULE, REGULATION OR STANDARD SHALL BE INVALID UNTIL SO SUBMITTED. However, the submission of the proposed rule, regulation or standard to the committee shall not prevent the adoption and promulgation of such rule, regulation or standard by the department, board, commission or other agency [[]. THE RULE, REGULATION OR STANDARD MAY BE PUT INTO EFFECT AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE UPON THE APPROVAL OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE.]] AFTER THE THIRTY DAY PERIOD. IN THE EVENT THAT THE ADOPTING AGENCY DECLARES THE RULE, REGULATION OR STANDARD TO BE NECESSARY AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE. THE RULE, REGULATION OR STANDARD MAY BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AFTER SUBMISSION TO THE COMMITTEE IF APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE, THE CHAIRMAN OR VICE-CHAIRMAN THEREOF.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 24, 1973.

CHAPTER 779

(House Bill 452)

AN ACT to repeal Sections 3-12(b), 3-15(c), 3-16(e), 3-17(c), 3-20(c), 15-3(f), 24-26(b), 26-3(b), 26-7(b)(1), 26-12, 27-5(b), 27-7(c), and 27-8 of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitles "Registration of Voters - How and by Whom Conducted," "General Provisions for Voting," "Offenses and Penalties," "Fair Election Practices," and "Absentee Voting," and to enact new sections 3-12(b), 3-15(c), 3-16(e), 3-17(c), 3-20(c), 15-3(f), 24-26(b), 26-3(b), 26-7(b)(1), 26-12, 27-5(b), 27-7(c), and 27-8 in lieu thereof, to stand respectively in place of the sections repealed; to remove all specified forms in the election laws of this State; to provide that the State Administrative Board of Election Laws shall prescribe the forms required by said Election laws; and relating generally to the election laws of this State and the forms and procedures thereof.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 3-12(b), 3-15(c), 3-16(e), 3-17(c), 3-20(c), 15-3(f), 24-26(b), 26-3(b), 26-7(b)(1), 26-12, 27-5(b), 27-7(c), and 27-8 of Article 33 of the